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Abraham Lincoln

The Celebration of the Centenary of Lincoln's Birth by the New York Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.



Delmonico's New York, February 3, 1909



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Printed directly from the Original Negative made by M. B. Brady, in Washington, 1864, now in the Collection of Americana, of Second Class Companion Frederick Hill Meserve.

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The original manuscript of the final revision, by himself, of President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address is now in the possession of the family of the late Hon. John Hay. Colonel John P. Nicholson, Chairman of the Gettysburg Battle-field Commission, finding that accepted versions of the address as printed in several standard publications, and derived in part from the report made for the Associated Press, at the time it was delivered, did not agree in their verbiage, printed from Col. Hay's copy, word for word, line for line, and paragraph for paragraph, even to the punctuation, the version on the opposite page, which is taken from the preface of the revised edition of "Pennsylvania at Gettysburg."

Lincoln's Gettysburg Speech

"Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men were created equal.

"Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

"But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate—we cannot consecrate—we cannot hallow—this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here. have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us-that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain-that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom-and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Speakers

General Horace Porter late U. S. Army

Hon. Horace White

Charles A. Leale, M. D. Surgeon, U. S. V.

General James Grant Wilson
U. S. V.

Menu

Potage

Fausse tortue

Hors d'Oeuvre

Radis

Celeri

Olives

Poisson

Limande au Gratin Pommes Marquise

Releve

Ris de veau a la Montebello Haricots verts

Entree

Vol au vent a la Parisienne Petits pois Français

Sorbet au Rhum

Roti

Canards Mallard Salade de Celeri

Entremets de Douceur

Glaces de fantaisie Petits fours

Fruits

Cafe

Fromage



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